

POST SHORTS

Recycling schedule



The recycling pickup for Wednesday, Oct. 26, is paper. Put items in paper bags, boxes or bundles and place them on the curb.

RAB meeting scheduled

The Installation Restoration Program will hold its monthly Restoration Advisory Board meeting 7 to 9:45 p.m., Oct. 28, at the Edgewood Senior Center on Gateway Road.

The topic will include an update on the Carroll Island and Graces Quarters Study Areas.

Board meetings are open to the public; all APG employees and citizens are invited. For more information, call the Information Line at 410-272-8842 or 1-800-APG-9998.

2004 Soldier Show

Aberdeen Proving Ground will once again host the U.S. Army Soldier Show in the APG Post Theater, on Sunday, Oct. 24, at 7 p.m. The 90-minute variety show, featuring the Army's most talented Soldiers, tours annually around the world and is appropriate entertainment for all audiences.

Admission is free and open to the public. Reservations are not required. Additional shows are being provided at 2 p.m. on Oct. 23 and 24, exclusively for active duty service members. Reserved seating is available for directors, commanders, sergeants major, and their family members.

To make a reservation for a reserved seat, call Linda Holloway at 410-306-4520 or e-mail Linda.Holloway@usag.apg.army.mil.

Army seeking warrant officer candidates

The U.S. Army is looking for highly motivated Soldiers, Marines, Sailors, and Airmen to fill its warrant officer ranks. Positions are open to qualified applicants in all 45 specialties. Applicants with less than 12 years of active federal service are encouraged to apply.

For more information and all forms/documents required, visit www.usarec.army.mil/warrant, or call DSN 536-0328/0466/0271/1860/0458/0484 or commercial 502-626-1860.

Emmett Paige scholarships available

The Gen. Emmett Paige Scholarship provides funding for active duty military only. The 7 p.m. show Oct. 24 is open to the public.

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Fire Prevention and Safety



Firefighters from Aberdeen Proving Ground's Fire and Emergency Services demonstrate battling a car fire during the Fire Station open house during Fire Prevention Week Oct. 9.

Fire station open house draws hundreds to APG

Story and photo by
Yvonne Johnson
APG News

More than 500 service members, civilians and family members enjoyed a day of demonstrations, displays and activities geared toward fire prevention and safety during the Aberdeen Proving Ground Fire Station Open House held at building 2200 Oct. 9.

Firefighters and emergency medical technicians from the Aberdeen and Edgewood areas provided learning experiences throughout the day that included hazardous materials and fire fighting equipment displays, vehicle extrication and firefighting demonstrations, and a visit from Chopper 6, a

medical evacuation helicopter from the Maryland State Police that appeared in the movie, "Ladder 49" which was filmed in Baltimore.

In addition, officers from the Directorate of Law Enforcement and Security treated youths to a display of Special Reaction Team weapons and sniper equipment and a visit from McGruff the Crime Fighting Dog and the Army Substance Abuse Program's Cindy Scott schooled visitors on the hazards of substance abuse.

Doug Farrington, fire inspector, and the event's organizer, said the open house was the first one held in more than 15 years.

"We felt there was a need to bring the fire prevention program back to promote fire prevention week," Farrington said. "We'll try to make it an annual event now. Hopefully bigger and better."

He thanked the APG

Commissary, the U.S. Army Aberdeen Test Center, DLES, and the Maryland State Police for their help in making the day a success as well as local sponsors who provided chips, hot dogs and sodas for visitor.

The event's main goal was

to emphasize the need to practice fire prevention all the time, Farrington said.

"Fire prevention goes on year round," he said. "We take one week out of the year to emphasize it but it should be something we do every day."

Developmental Test Command to gain new commander

Mike Cast

Brig. Gen. Keith McNamara, commander of the Developmental Test Command, will pass the command guidon to Brig. Gen. Michael Combest 10 a.m. on Oct. 27, in front of DTC headquarters, building 314, Longs Corner Road.

McNamara steered the Army DTC through an ongoing evolution in support of Army Transformation. During the past two years, McNamara has guided DTC through several major test and evaluation initiatives.

Under his leadership, DTC test centers throughout the United States maintained an accelerated operational tempo to help the Army evaluate the Stryker family of combat vehicles.

Aberdeen Test Center at APG tackled the challenge that rocket-propelled grenades (RPGs) pose for Stryker occupants with a solution called slat armor, a cage-like structure that is bolted onto the vehicle. This armor system proved its effectiveness in February of this year by protecting a Stryker crew from an RPG attack in Mosul, Iraq.

During McNamara's command, DTC also continued to develop new technologies and operational procedures to conduct "network-centric" testing and evaluation of Future Combat Systems (FCS).

These capabilities are designed to enable the Army to test and evaluate FCS as a system of systems that communicate through a common network and interoperate simultaneously from diverse locations. To meet McNamara's goals and objectives for FCS testing, DTC established an Inter-Range Control Center (IRCC) at its White Sands Missile Range in New Mexico. The IRCC is set up to orchestrate complex FCS tests that will take place at multiple DTC test centers across the United States.

McNamara was assigned to the Defense

Department's Missile Defense Agency, where he was in charge of force structure, integration and deployment.

Brig. Gen. Michael Combest, comes from an assignment with the Supreme Headquarters Allied Powers Europe (SHAPE) in Mons, Belgium. During his assignment at SHAPE, Combest was chief of defense planning for the Allied Command Transformation Planning Element Europe.

A graduate of the U.S. Military Academy at West Point, Combest has held a variety of command and staff assignments in the United States and abroad. He commanded the 75th Field Artillery Brigade, part of III Corps at Fort Hood, Texas and the battery of 2nd Armored Division at Fort Hood. He also commanded a battalion of the 7th Infantry Division at Fort Ord, Calif.

His staff positions included an assignment as the assistant division commander for the 1st Infantry Division in Germany. He was also a key staff officer in charge of combat developments at the Army's Training and Doctrine Command at Fort Monroe, Va., as well as an operations officer for the School of Advanced Military Studies at the Army's Command and General Staff College at Fort Leavenworth, Kan.

Road closures

Some roads will be closed during the Oct. 27 ceremony at building 314.

Starting at 8:30 a.m., Longs Corner Road will be closed from the point where Aberdeen Boulevard veers left into it at the old Fire House to where it intersects with Tower Road.

Drivers will be able to proceed along Collieran Road.

Johnson Street will be partially closed but drivers will be able to proceed into the parking lot behind building 305.

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U.S. Army Soldier Show plays APG this weekend



Photo courtesy of www.armymwr.com
Pfc. Daren Taylor, center, of Fort Belvoir, Va., is flanked by Pfc. Kevin Waul Allen, left, of Fort McPherson, Ga., and Spc. James Becton, right, of Camp Red Cloud, Korea, during a performance of the 2004 U.S. Army Soldier Show at Fort Belvoir's Wallace Theater.

Army Entertainment

The U.S. Army Soldier Show returns to Aberdeen Proving Ground Oct. 23 to 24.

The 2 p.m. Oct. 23 and 24 shows at the Post Theater are open to active duty military only. The 7 p.m. show Oct. 24 is open to the public.

The "Heart of a Soldier" is the 2004 theme, directed for the fourth time by Victor Hurtado.

The cast includes active duty, National Guard and Reserve Component Soldiers who vary in rank from private first class to first lieutenant.

Hurtado said military members and families can easily relate to the plot of this year's show while the general public should be entertained and educated.

"I think it's important to humanize our Soldiers to the American public, and what it takes to fight for America," said Hurtado, who performed in the Army Soldier Show

while on active duty from 1986 through '89 and served 1990-92 as tour manager and assistant director.

"I don't know that my mentality would've been the same if I hadn't been a Soldier myself," he said. "I don't think I would have had the sensibility to put this kind of show together."

Hurtado expresses great confidence in the cast.

"This group has a fairly phenomenal set of instruments — of raw voices, of tongue, of intensity, of character, of attitude," he said. "They have the ability to have fun, but then lock into seriousness and focus. There are a lot of characters in the show, and I'm using their character."

The Soldiers are attached to the U.S. Army Community and Family Support Center's Army Entertainment Detachment while on tour. They operate as a deployable

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Photo courtesy of ABERDEEN TEST CENTER
Brig. Gen. Keith McNamara, departing commander of the U.S. Army Developmental Test Command, right, listens as Joe Gonzalez, ATSS driver, answers questions about driving the Stryker vehicle during testing at the U.S. Army Aberdeen Test Center.

APG Soldier meets Monster Garage challenge

Yvonne Johnson
APG News

A U.S. Army Ordnance Center and Schools first sergeant distinguished himself before the nation Monday night as he appeared on the Monster Garage Challenge hosted by wrench-turning guru, Jesse James which aired on the Discovery Channel Oct. 18.

Then Master Sgt. Darrick Preston, now the first sergeant of Company G, 16th Ordnance Battalion, participated with five other Soldiers from installations around the country in the project to transform a World War II jeep into a "Monsterized" Twin-Engine Tractor Puller for the Army Tractor Pull.

The Discovery Channel queried the Army for its best mechanics, machinists and welders to complete the project. Preston, who applied along with thousands of others, underwent an intense interview process that included Department of the Army photo and personnel packet submissions and follow-up phone interviews. He was

notified of his selection July 12. By Aug. 6, he was headed for Long Beach, Calif. and the Jesse James Monster Garage.

Preston served as the project's mechanical maintenance supervisor. He said the mission "took a lot of ingenuity to complete."

"We went there not knowing what to expect," Preston said. "Once we had the mission and realized the limited budget we had to work with, we knew it would be a challenge."

He said that although the garage provided all the tools needed, finding needed repair parts like tires to fit the vintage vehicle, "was a logistical nightmare."

"We had a limited time to accomplish the mission," Preston said. "Financial and time constraints made it that much more of a challenge."

He said the team gelled quickly, each assuming the roles needed to complete the mission.

"Everyone understood that we had to be on the same sheet of music," Preston said.

The team reviewed their progress and established the

next day's mission at the end of each day. Discovery Channel film crews were on hand the entire time filming each step of the operation. They eventually had to compress five days worth of footage into 40 minutes.

"I learned a lot from my coworkers about overcoming planning flaws," he said, adding that the popular show "usually focuses on overcoming challenges."

"No matter how well you plan things, you should always expect a monkey wrench to be thrown in there," Preston said. "But if you're a gear head, the challenge is half the fun."

He added that after an extensive career that included an assignment with the White House Communications Agency, traveling the world building presidential lecterns, and as the chief instructor and supervisor of the Army welding school at Aberdeen Proving Ground, "the Monster Garage Challenge was a unique learning experience I'll never forget."

"I've never done anything like that before," Preston said. "We fix vehicles but we don't



Photo courtesy of 1st Sgt. Darrick Preston
Master Sgt. Darrick Preston uses a welding torch while working in the Jesse James Monster Garage for the Army Monster Garage Team Tractor Pull project that aired on the Discovery Channel Oct. 18.

necessarily build them."

Preston's coworkers on the Army Tractor Pull team included Chief Warrant Officer 3 Kevin Sargent, utilities operation and maintenance technician, Fort Leonard Wood, Mo.; 2nd Lt. Brian

Johnson, armor officer, Fort Knox, Ky.; Staff Sgt. Jeffrey Morin, light wheel vehicle mechanic, Fort Jackson, S.C.; Spc. Benjamin Smith, metal worker, Fort Campbell, Ky.; and Pfc. Jesse Dugan, wheeled vehicle mechanic, Fort

Campbell, Ky.

Also two civilians, Joe Elder, a multi-engine tractor-pull builder from North Collins, N.Y. and Tim Porter, a single-engine builder from Louisville, Ky., assisted the builders.

APG captain brings home silver medals



Photos courtesy of APG MWR
Capt. Shelly Sanders swings to a top Army female golfer finish.



Capt. Shelley Sanders of the U.S. Army Research Laboratory, practices her putt before going on to win a silver medal in the Armed Forces Golf Championships, held Sept. 19 to 25 at Fort Carson, Colo.

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Capt. Shelley Sanders took some time away from her duties at the U.S. Army Research Laboratory last month to play some golf in Colorado Springs, but it wasn't a vacation. She was competing for the Army as a member of the All-Army Golf Team in the Armed Forces Golf Championships.

"We were really hoping to win this year since the Army was hosting the championship," Sanders said, but, alas, the team came in second taking a silver medal to the Air Force's gold. She also took a silver medal in the women's division finishing with a total four-round score that was only

one stroke behind the winner.

"But I enjoyed it," she said, "it was great to be able to represent the Army."

In order to make the team, she had to apply to the Department of the Army Sports Office to get an invitation to try out. She was invited and played four rounds at the trials in Fort Carson, Colo., at Cheyenne Shadows Golf Course, the same course where the championships were held the following week. Her total score won her a position on the All-Army team, which was made up of six men and three women.

Sanders said she normally carries a 6 handicap; however, she admits she didn't shoot like it at either the trials or championships, pointing to the wildly changing weather and the length of the course as the culprits.

"We played in 90 degree heat, we played in 35 mph wind gusts, and we even played in rain, sleet, snow and hail," she said.

This was actually her second Armed Forces Golf Championship. "I was also on the 1998 Team; but due to duty assignments, I have not been able to participate again until now," she explained.

A native of Kosciusko, Miss., Sanders said she hit the ball around a few times with her father while growing up but didn't really take golf seri-

ously until about 10 years ago. Before that she was more interested in basketball which she played in high school and college.

Sanders holds a bachelor's degree from Southern Mississippi University in mathematics and a master's degree from the University of Central Florida in industrial engineering. She has been at ARL for about a year in the Weapons and Materials Research Directorate. She

serves as military deputy for the Materials Division and is currently working in lubricant technology.

"This is the first assignment where my science and engineering backgrounds both apply," she said adding that her previous assignments had been in military operations. She said that it is also the first time she's worked where civilians greatly outnumber military personnel.

"I really like it," she said,

"I'm able to provide a military perspective, and I want to help anyway I can."

When time allows, she said she tries to get in at least one round of golf every week at APG's Ruggles Golf Course, and she would like to play in the Armed Forces Championships again next year.

"Because of my performance this year, it's likely that I could get an invitation [to try out] and, if my duties permit, I'll be there," she said.

CFC donations near \$50,000 mark

Robert Solyan
CFC chairperson

The first of several drawings for the remaining "Fort McHenry" prints by Chris White were selected Oct. 18.

Col. John T. Wright, APG Garrison and deputy installation commander drew the winning names.

JoAnn Watson, U.S. Army Environmental Center, won a 16 by 20 print and the smaller 8 by 11 print went to Larry McCaskill, U.S. Army Research, Development and Engineering Command.

The names were chosen from a bucket of nametags representing nearly \$50 thousand in donations to the 2004

Combined Federal Campaign.

All other contributor names will remain in the mix for the next drawing. Please contribute early to be included.

The Installation has collected nearly \$50 thousand for CFC to date, or 15 percent of the goal of \$325,000. Three more activities have exceeded 100 percent of their goals, bringing the total to five. Those added to the growing list are the Directorate of Resource Management, the U.S. Army Developmental Test Command, and RDECOM. Each of the activities is com-

mended for encouraging additional participation. Congratulations to all for their help toward a successful campaign.

The 2004 Contributor's Guide for national/international organizations is at Website <http://www.cfcmd.org>. Paper copies of the guide and pledge cards are available from each organization key worker or at the APG CFC office. For more information, visit the APG CFC office at building 120, room 114, or call Robert Solyan, Lisa Mack, or Betty Scott at 410-278-0001/0002/0003.



Photo by YVONNE JOHNSON
Col. John T. Wright, APG Garrison and deputy installation commander, right, hands one of two winning names drawn for the print, "Fort McHenry," by Chris White, to Robert Solyan, chairperson of the APG 2004 Combined Federal Campaign during an informal drawing in his office Oct. 18.

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ing to veterans, military personnel, and their family members who are majoring in specified fields in college for \$2,000.

This program is open to veterans and persons on active duty in the uniformed military services and to their spouses or family members who are currently enrolled full-time in an accredited four-year degree-granting institution in the United States. Veterans entering college as freshmen may apply. Spouses or family members must be sophomores or juniors.

Applicants must be U.S. citizens, be of good moral character, have demonstrated academic excellence, be motivated to complete a college education, and be working toward a degree in engineering (aerospace, chemical, computer, or electrical), mathematics, physics, or computer science with a GPA of 3.4 or higher.

For more information, see <http://www.military.com/Education/ScholarShip/Profile/1,14220,0546,00.html>.

APG hosts technology expo

The Corporate Information Office, RDECOM, and APG Garrison Directorate of Information Management will host the Annual Fall Information Technology Products and Services Expo, 9:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m., Oct. 27, at the Gunpowder Club Conference Center, building E-4650.

The Expo is free and open to all Department of Defense, government and contractor personnel (with access to APG-Edgewood Area).

Vendors to present state-of-the-art technologies include Anixter, ASAP Software, CDW-G, Cingular Wireless, Dell, DLT Solutions, EME Solutions, Gateway, Global Knowledge, GMRI, GTSI/Sun Microsystems , HP, IBM, Integrated Barcode Technology, MPC, Metro Office Products, MEDI, NEC - Mitsubishi, Nelson White Systems, Newark InOne,

Office Eagle, Panasonic, Plug-In Storage Systems, Ricoh, Scotty Tele-Transport Corp., Seidcon, Staples, Tech Depot - An Office Depot Co., Westwood Computer, Wrightline and more.

Coffee, donuts, and a light lunch buffet will be provided.

For more information, call FDAE toll-free at 1-877-332-3976, Susan Suppa, DOIM, at 410-278-7598, or Chris Zukowski, RDECOM, at 410-436-3873.

Temporary closure of EA Dental Clinic

On Nov. 1, the Edgewood Area Dental Clinic will close six to seven months for renovation. All Edgewood Area patients must report to the Aberdeen Area Dental Clinic.

The last day for sick call is Oct. 29. Sick call at the Aberdeen Area Clinic is 7 to 8 a.m., Monday through Friday. Hours of operation are 7 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Thursday and 7 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. on Fridays. Patients with early morning appointments should allow extra travel time.

A shuttle bus will be provided for AIT students. The bus will pick up students at the EA Dental Clinic every hour from 6 a.m. until the last pick up at 2 p.m.

For more information or to make an appointment, call the Dental Clinic at 410-278-1795/1796.

Thrift Shop to disburse funds

The APG Thrift Shop will accept requests for donations from schools, service organizations and military units through Oct. 31.

The request should include the name of the organization, point of contact, address, telephone number, amount requested and specific details on what the funds will be used for. In the past donations have been granted to area schools, Boy Scouts, Army Community Service and veterans organizations.

Mail or drop off requests to the APG Thrift Store, building

2458, APG, MD 21005-5001.

For more information, call the store during operating hours, which are 11 a.m. to 6 p.m., Wednesday; 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., Thursday; 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., the first Saturday of the month. Consignments are only taken 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. and 4:30 to 5:30 p.m., Wednesday and 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., Thursday.

MCSC begins annual apple pie sale

The Military and Civilian Spouses' Club has begun its annual apple pie sale for a \$6 donation.

To place a pie order or to volunteer, call Holly Ratliff at 410-273-6706.

PWOC holds Bible Study Group

The Monday night Protestant Women of the Chapel Bible Study Group will hold its Fall Kickoff 6:30 p.m. on Nov. 1 at the Post Chapel. A new study, "I believe in God," by Beth Moore will be featured. Child care is available.

For more information, call Cindy Sepulveda at 410-273-1814.

Understanding leasing, the active duty card holder

The Office of the Staff Judge Advocate is available to discuss the finer points of off-post leasing with active duty ID card holders.

Many of the problems and unforeseen costs of residential leases can be avoided by reviewing the lease with an attorney prior to signing it. An attorney can explain hard-to-understand "legal-ese" and the duties of both the landlord and the active duty ID card holder. A legal assistance attorney can discuss lease termination and eviction rights under the Service members Civil Relief Act. Don't be caught later by the "fine print."

To schedule an appointment with an attorney, call OSJA Legal Assistance, 410-278-1583.

Community Notes

**THURSDAY THRU SUN-
DAY**

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Oct. 31

**RIPKEN STADIUM
HOSTS DIAMOND OF
DARKNESS**

Ripken Stadium will host Diamond of Darkness, a Halloween themed park for children and adults of all ages. The event will include a haunted hayride, a wooded walk, a haunted house and more. Diamond of Darkness will be open 7 to 10 p.m., Oct. 15 through 31, Thursday and Sunday, and 6:30 to 11 p.m., Friday and Saturday.

Haunted house tickets cost \$12 for adults and \$7 for children ages 10 and under; the hayride/haunted walk tickets cost \$14 for adults and \$10 for children ages 10 and under; or a Combo Pass tickets cost \$18 for adults and \$13 for children ages 10 and under. A portion of the proceeds will benefit the Cal Ripken Sr. Foundation. Tickets can be purchased at www.ticketmaster.com or by calling the Ripken Stadium Box Office at 410-297-9292.

For more information, call Matt Musgrove at 410-908-6187, or Ripken Stadium at 410-297-9292, or visit matt@diamondofdarkness.com.

SATURDAY

OCTOBER 23

**CHILDREN'S HAL-
LOWEEN PARTY**

VFW Post 10028, 821 Old Philadelphia Road, Aberdeen, will hold a Children's Halloween Party, 1 to 3 p.m.

For more information, call 410-272-1218.

TURKEY SUPPER

The Pilottown Rod and Gun Club located on Belle Manor Road, Conowingo, will hold a Turkey Supper, 1 to 5 p.m. Cost of the dinner is \$8 per person; children under 6 eat free. All proceeds benefit the Rod and Gun Club. Tickets are available at the door. Eat-in or carryout is available.

For more information or to purchase tickets, call Pat Job at 410-658-5628 or 410-378-0096.

BASKET BINGO

Basket Bingo to benefit the Water Witch Fire Company Ladies Auxiliary will be held at VFW Post 8185, Route 222, Port Deposit. Doors open at 6 p.m.; Bingo starts at 7 p.m. Tickets cost \$10 per person for all paper cards. Food, baked goods, door prizes and raffles will be available. To purchase tickets, call Anne Gibson at 410-378-3338, Carrie McCall at 410-939-9169, or Stephanie Gibson at 410-378-2672.

VFW POST 6054

**MAKE A DIFFERENCE
DAY**

Charlton-Miller VFW Post 6054 will sponsor a Make A Difference Day Closet Clean-up and Food Drive. This is an opportunity to clean out the closet and to help someone in need. All clothing items will be donated to the Goodwill Industry and Perry Point VA Medical Center. Also, make a difference in someone's life by donating non-perishable food items. All food donated will be given to Grace Place, located at Saint John's Episcopal Church, Havre de Grace. All clothing items must be clean and serviceable. Bring items to Charlton-Miller VFW Post 6054 located at 206 Spesuitia Road, Aberdeen.

For more information, call Senior Vice President Linda Smith at 443-857-8823 or 410-272-3444.

FAMILY

COMPOSTING CLASS

Join a Master Composter at the Anita C. Leight Estuary Center, 700 Otter Point Road, in Abingdon, to learn how your family can be a "Composting Team." With information and activities, learn basic principals on

how composting works at your home. The fee is \$6/family or \$4/person. Reservations are required. Refreshments are provided. For information, directions, or to make a reservation, call 410-612-1688 or 410-879-2000 ext. 1688.

FRIDAY

OCTOBER 29

**HALLOWEEN BENEFIT
DANCE**

A Halloween Dance and Costume Contest will be held 8 p.m. to midnight at Level Volunteer Fire Company, 3633 Level Village Road, Havre de Grace. Proceeds will go to help the victims of the Sept. 18 tornado, which destroyed two trailer homes in the northern end of the county. Music will be provided by M.C. Productions. Door prizes, raffles, instant bingo, a Big 6 Wheel and much more fun activities also are planned. Tickets cost \$20 per person and includes beer, soft drinks and set ups.

To purchase tickets, to make a donation or for more information, call Mark or Rhonda in Harford County Emergency Operations at 410-638-3400.

SATURDAY

OCTOBER 30

HOWL-O-WEEN PARTY

The Humane Society of Harford County will host its second annual Howl-O-Ween Party, 6 to 10 p.m. at the HSHC Shelter, 2208 Connolly Road, Fallston.

The event includes a haunted barn, moon bounce, music, face painting, costume contest (dogs included), silent auction, doggie IQ test and bobbing for hot dogs (for dogs). Various games and prizes will be available at 25 cents per game or five games for \$1.

Admission is \$20 per family; \$5 per person and children under two years of age are free. Proceeds will benefit the Humane Society.

For more information, call Ellen Lasarko at 410-515-1330.

Tickets cost \$10 per person for all paper cards. Food, baked goods, door prizes and raffles will be available. No smoking is allowed. To purchase tickets, call Anne Gibson at 410-378-3338, Carolyn Spencer at 410-378-

Control is key to handling anger

ACS

Anger is a natural emotion

Denying anger means denying something fundamentally human. Some deny anger because of childhood messages telling them how they should or should not behave. But, acknowledging anger is a positive step. Here are some ways to release anger while maintaining the respect of others.

Admit when anger comes

The first step in dealing constructively with anger is to admit it. Trying to cover it up

or pretend it isn't there, denial, will only make it come out in some other form and can adversely affect relationships. Denying anger for a long time will make it harder to recognize when it is present. Searching for anger signs will reveal that many things stir up angry feelings.

Stop, Look and Listen

Stop. Try to identify the anger cause or source. The cause of anger isn't always obvious. People are accustomed to shutting off anger before they can identify it. What caused the anger might not have happened today, but yesterday or last week.

Look. Once the cause is identified, think before acting. Could it have been avoided? Who should share in the responsibility for the error?

Listen. Anger is like a friend that warns when something has gone wrong. Awareness of what triggers anger, can lead to the ability to shrug off less important things.

Express anger

Surveying the anger-making situation allows for time to cool off, and makes expressions of anger a choice rather than a reaction. This provides more control, as well as the ability to monitor what is said and how it is said. Be honest

and respectful. Others will respect your honesty and you will feel more satisfied in anger making situations

Is counseling needed?

If anger management and control is slipping away, if it is having a negative impact on family and friends, consider counseling. A psychologist or other licensed mental health professional can develop a range of techniques for adjusting thinking and behavior. For more information on where to seek help, contact Laura Reich, Army Community Service Family Advocacy Program, at 410-278-7478.

APG Garrison

The acting Secretary of the Army, R.L. Brownlee has issued a memorandum encouraging all Army personnel to become better stewards of energy use.

This year's theme is "Smart Energy Choices."

Brownlee said that as the largest Department of Defense energy consumer, the Army must be the leader in energy efficiency, water conservation, and the use of renewable energy products and emerging

technologies.

The memo went on to say that the Army reduced energy consumption by 30.3 percent since 1985 through increasing awareness and improving the energy efficiency of its facilities.

Brownlee said the Army must continue to excel in this area to achieve the goal of a 35 percent reduction by 2010.

"Education is the only way to improve individual awareness," Gary R. Testerman Sr., APG's energy conservation manager, said.

"Education does not

require large investments or expensive trips," he said. "Individuals can self educate by simply surfing the Internet for the many federal and state energy sites."

Testerman said the idea that Energy Conservation means tightening the belt, enduring uncomfortable room temperatures or working in dimly lit areas, "is not the case."

"As you improve your awareness, you will learn that waste can be saved without inconvenience," he said. "Please spend some time at these sites and raise your level of awareness."

Recommended sites

include:

- http://www.eere.energy.gov/energy_savers/
- <http://www.bge.com>
- <http://www.bge.com#>
- <http://www.hqda-energypolicy.pnl.gov/>
- http://www.eere.energy.gov/wetherization/wxtech_neat.html
- <http://www.pnl.gov/buildings.army.html>
- <http://www.eia.doe.gov/oiaf/aeo/>
- <http://www.aggie-horticulture.tamu.edu/extension/homelandscapenergy/energy.html>
- <http://www.labs21century.gov>

For more information, contact Testerman at 410-306-1151.

Soldier show

From front page

military unit under the leadership of a detachment commander, first sergeant, and a Soldier Show NCOIC who also hits the road in their 44-passenger bus, 18-wheel tractor-trailer and 15-passenger van.

Hurtado, a voting member of the National Academy of

Recording Arts and Sciences' Grammy Awards who recently completed the directing course of study at Harvard University, is in his fourth year as artistic director.

The cast continues the tradition of "entertainment for the Soldier, by the Soldier" established during World War I by Irving Berlin, the founding father of today's Army Entertainment program.

Berlin, best known for "White Christmas" and "God Bless America", wrote the first U.S. Army Soldier Show while on active duty in 1918 at Camp Upton, Long Island, N.Y.

For more information, visit the Morale, Welfare and Entertainment Web site at, <http://www.armymwr.com/portal/recreation/entertainment/armysoldiershow>

DTC

From front page

Plumb Point Loop East will be closed between the Longs

Corner Road intersection and the center road that bisects the old golf course. The section of Plumb Point Loop East between this point and Top of the Bay will remain open and

all of Plumb Point Loop West will remain open.

For more information, contact DTC public affairs at 410-278-1143.

Army volunteers get kids back to school after hurricane

Shannon Bauer
Army News Service

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers volunteers set up temporary facilities so that Pensacola school children could return to class after Hurricane Ivan struck.

Ivan completely destroyed Pensacola Beach Elementary Charter School, as well as 22 classrooms at Workman Middle School and 10 classrooms at Pensacola High School. The Corps' team Pensacola Emergency Response and Recovery Office acquired, delivered and set up 36 mobile homes for the Escambia County school district to use as temporary classrooms two weeks after receiving the task.

Scott Jutila, engineer for the project, said it took a huge cooperative effort between the Federal Emergency Management Agency, the Corps of Engineers, the school district and the contractors to complete the project that quickly. "Everyone knew it was important to get the kids

back to school, so they knew it was a priority," he said.

The team received the assignment Sept. 29 and had trailers arriving by Oct. 2. They arrived in modules and had to be pieced together, as well as hooked up to utilities, cleaned up, and, in some cases, repaired. Jutila said one fell off the delivery truck on its way and had to have a new ceiling and light fixtures installed.

"Assisting the school district with the modular classroom units was an exciting, new challenge for the temporary housing team," said Eric Wittine, quality supervisor on the project. "To bring in the units, place them with utilities and have students in class in a two-week time period was a remarkable accomplishment. It was great to see the smiles on the kids' faces."

Florida Governor Jeb Bush visited the Pensacola Beach school Oct. 13 to thank the Corps and its partners for getting the school up and running in such a timely manner.

Trick or treating on APG

Halloween and the traditional "trick or treat" activities will be celebrated at Aberdeen Proving Ground on Oct. 31. Children under 12 must be accompanied by an adult.

"Trick or treat" activities are specifically limited to 6 to 8 p.m.

Personnel driving in the housing areas during the "trick or treat" period are cautioned to exercise extreme care, and to be especially watchful for young children who may not be readily visible or attentive to moving vehicles. It is strongly recommended that children wear reflective markings on their costumes or carry a flashlight.

The cooperation of all concerned is being solicited to ensure a safe and happy Halloween at APG.

For more information, call Linda Holloway, 410-306-4520.



MOVIES

ADMISSION: ADULTS \$3, CHILDREN \$1.50
Building 3245 Aberdeen Boulevard
To verify listing, call 410-272-7520.

Effective Oct. 15, movie admission prices have increased. New admission rates are \$3.50 for adults and \$1.75 for children

CELLULAR

Friday, Oct. 22, 7 p.m.

Starring: Kim Basinger, Chris Evans

A thin thread of electronic data may be the only thing that can save a woman and her family in this thriller. A biology teacher, Jessica (Basinger), is kidnapped by a vicious criminal who has threatened to murder her husband and son if he doesn't get what he wants. He destroys the only working telephone in the cabin, but Jessica manages to put enough of the pieces together to send out a call that's picked up by Ryan (Evans), a college student, on his cellular phone. Jessica manages to convince Ryan of the gravity of her situation, but she has no idea of where she's being held, leaving his cell phone as the only link to her whereabouts. (Rated PG-13)

NAPOLEON DYNAMITE (FREE ADMISSION)

Saturday, Oct. 23, 7 p.m.

Starring: Jon Heder, Jon Gries

Set in the small Idaho town of Preston, Napoleon (Heder) is a carrot-topped oddball with a decidedly eccentric family

that includes his llama-loving, dune buggy enthusiast grandmother. The story centers on the local high school's race for class president. Using some traditional means, Napoleon is determined to help his pal Pedro (Efren Ramirez) run a winning campaign and defeat popular girl, Summer (Haylie Duff). (Rated PG)

PAPARAZZI

Friday, Oct. 23, 9 p.m.

Starring: Cole Hauser, Robin Tunney

Bo Laramie (Hauser) is a movie star who has finally achieved success. He accepts the veritable invasion of his life until photos of his wife, Abby (Tunney), and his son, Zach (Blake Bryan), begin appearing on covers of one particularly sleazy tabloid called Paparazzi. All paparazzi become increasingly relentless, ruthless - and even criminal. When Bo and his family get trapped in a high-speed chase that ends in an accident, sending Abby into intensive care and 6-year-old Zach into a coma, he's reached his breaking point.. In doing so, he will exact revenge on those who have enjoyed making his life a living hell with a focus on the paparazzi's ring leader, Rex Harper (Tom Sizemore). (Rated PG-13)



Morale, Welfare & Recreation

Activities

New operating hours

The MWR Registration, Tickets and Leisure Travel Center's new operating hours are 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday thru Friday, and 11 a.m. to 7 p.m., the 1st and 3rd Friday of every month.*

*If this happens to fall on a training holiday, then the Thursday prior the office will be open 11 a.m. to 7 p.m.

Methods of registration

Register for any MWR event by visiting the specific facility for the event, mailing in a registration form found in an MWR Program Brochure, visiting MWR Registration, building 3326, or visiting online at www.apgmwr.com.

BOSS sponsors Halloween bowling party

Better Opportunities for Single Soldiers is sponsoring a Halloween Party at the APG

Bowling Center 9 to 11 p.m., Oct. 29. The cost is \$10 per person.

Dress up and join the fun for a night of bowling, music and costume and door prizes.

Open to permanent party, APG employees and friends.

For more information or to purchase tickets, contact a BOSS Representative or the AA Recreation Center, building 3326, 410-278-2621/3404.

MWR looks out for singles through BOSS

The BOSS "Better Opportunities for Single Soldiers" Program meets on the last Wednesday of every month at 2 p.m., building 305, conference room.

The program is Department of the Army directed, installation managed and service member operated to support the overall quality of life, recreation and leisure and community service for single and unaccompanied service members and single parents.

For more information, call Joyce Founds, Morale Welfare and Recreation advisor, at 410-278-2621.

Scottish Highland Dance Classes

Youth Services will offer Scottish Highland dance classes for children ages five to 18 years of age. Children of military and civilian employees of APG are eligible to register.

The date for determining age eligibility is Nov. 1 of the current year or as determined on a case-by-case basis.

Scottish Highland dance classes cost \$65 per student per class (one hour instruction once per week for 18 weeks/recital). A registration/membership fee is required for all students six years of age and up. Adults may sign up and pay a fee to take the class with their son/daughter. A minimum number of six students are needed to hold a class.

Classes are scheduled for 3 to 4 p.m., every Saturday,

beginning Nov. 6, at the Aberdeen Youth Center, building 2522, Ballet Room.

Registration will be held through Nov. 5.

For an appointment to register, call Christina Keithly at 410-278-7571 or Pat Palazzi at 410-278-7479, of the CYS Outreach Services-Central Registration Office, building 2752, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

A late registration fee will be charged for any registration after the cut-off date.

A brief parent orientation session will be held on November 6 at the first class meeting. For more information, please call Ivan Mehosky at 410-278-2857 or e-mail Ivan.Mehosky@apg.army.mil.

Shirley Caesar concert with local choirs

Evangelist Shirley Caesar will be Ministering in Song on Nov. 5 at the APG Post Theater. Doors open at 6 p.m. and the show starts at 7 p.m.

Tickets cost \$30 in advance and \$35 the day of the show. Purchase tickets online at www.apgmwr.com or MWR Registration.

MWR 8-Ball Billiards Doubles

This event will be a double-elimination tournament. Play will begin promptly at 7 p.m. and all participants must be pre-registered.

Cash prizes will be awarded to the top three teams based on the number of entries. Tournament will be held 7 to 11 p.m., Oct. 22, at the Recreation Center. The cost is \$10 per team.

Greenskeeper Revenge

On Oct. 23 the Greenskeeper is making up for all year and placing the flag anywhere he wants. This is a fun four-player scramble tournament playing the course the way the greenskeeper sees fit to set it up. Put a team together or sign up and be paired up

into teams.

Lunch and beverages follow. It will be an 8 a.m. shotgun start at Ruggles Golf Course. The cost is \$35 per player. Register by Oct. 21.

"Paint Your Own"

Edgewood Area Arts and Crafts now has "Paint Your Own Ceramic Studio." The ceramic studio is open to all APG civilians, active duty military, contractors and reservists and their dependents. Come in anytime and paint ceramics. No previous artist skill, background or class is required.

There is a wide assortment of gift and holiday items to choose from. Hours of operation are 1 to 9 p.m., Thursdays and 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., Fridays and Saturdays. Arts and Crafts is located in building E-4440, next to the Military Police Station.

For more information, call 410-436-2153.

Sign up for Youth Services Sports Karate classes

The fall session for karate classes for ages 7 through 18 will be held Monday and Wednesday at the Aberdeen Youth Center, 5:30 to 6:30 p.m., through Dec. 22. The class must have a minimum of 10 youths.

Karate classes cost \$60 per session. Youths must be a current Youth Center member.

Classes begin once the minimum number have signed up. For more information or for registration, call Christina Keithly at 410-278-7571, or e-mail Christina.Keithley@usag.apg.army.mil.

2004-05 Cheerleading Program

In the Aberdeen Area, registration for cheerleading for ages 6 through 15 will be held 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., through Nov. 8, by appointment.

To make an appointment, call Central Registration at

410-278-7571.

In the Edgewood Area, registration for cheerleading will be held every Wednesday, or call Chris Fielder at 410-436-3862.

Practice will begin Dec. 1 or 2; the program will end mid-March 2005. Games are held every Saturday in January and February. Cost of registration is \$40 per child, with 10 percent off every additional child.

For more information, call Bill Kegley at 410-306-2297.

2004-05 Basketball

Registration for basketball will be held 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., through Nov. 8, by appointment only, at the Central Registration Office, building 2752 and the Edgewood and Aberdeen Area Youth Centers.

Cost of registration for the basketball league is \$40 per child, \$76 for two children and \$112 for three children. Cost of registration for the basketball clinic is \$30 per child.

Children must be Youth

Center members to participate. Membership fee costs \$18.

The Basketball Program will consist of five age groups. Leagues include ages 7 to 8, 9 to 10, 11 to 12 and 13 to 14, with ages as of Dec. 31, 2004.

A basketball clinic will be held for boys and girls ages 4 to 6 with ages as of Nov. 10, 2004.

Registration dates and times

In the Aberdeen Area, building 2752, walk-in registration will be held 5:30 to 7:30 p.m., Oct. 21 and 28 and Nov. 8. In the Edgewood Area, building E-1902, walk-in registration will be held 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., Oct. 20, 27 and Nov. 3, and 5:30 to 7:30 p.m., Nov. 2 and 8.

For more information or to make an appointment, call the CYS Youth Sports Office at 410-306-2297.

Sports Physicals are due to the Central Registration Office by Dec. 1.

Registrations taken after

Nov. 8 will be put on a waiting list. Bring a completed physical examination and proof of age to registration.

A CYS sports registration form, NYSCA parents code of ethics and CYS code of conduct forms must be completed.

The CYS sports program is in need of volunteer coaches for all age groups.

Learn how to play Chess

Youth Services offers free Chess classes for students in the third grade and up, at the Aberdeen Area Youth Center, building 2522 and at the Edgewood Area Youth Center, building E-1902. Maximum class size is 14.

Aberdeen Area

Session I will be held each Monday, from Oct. 25 through Dec. 13. Classes for sixth grade and up will be held 3:45 to 4:30 p.m.; classes for third through fifth grade will be held 4:30 to 5:15 p.m.

Edgewood Area

Cash prizes.

Feb. 20: Rent-A-Lane Special - \$9 per lane per hour; active duty military receive an additional \$1 off. Limited to groups of four or more).

March

March 6 through 10: Red Pin Special Week - 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., Monday and Tuesday; and 5 p.m. until closing, Wednesday thru Friday). Throw a strike on a red head pin and receive a free game of bowling.

March 17: St. Patrick's Day Special - Wear green and receive half off each game bowled.

March 25: Cosmic Soldier Special - 8 p.m. until closing, All games cost \$1.25 or \$10 per hour (shoes included)

For more information contact the Bowling Center (bldg. 2342) at 410-278-4041 or visit www.apgmwr.com.

APG BOWLING CENTER NEWS

Upcoming Events

November

Nov. 7: Active Duty Special - \$1 per game, \$.75 shoe rental

Nov. 8 through 12: Red Pin Special Week - Throw a strike on the red head pin and draw a prize out of the "prize bowl." Receive discounts in all areas of the bowling center.

Nov. 13: Cosmic Rent-A-Lane - \$15 per lane per hour, shoes included.

Nov. 15 through 19: Head Pin Hattie Special - \$2 per entry (multiple entries allowed). Throw one ball per frame but must hit head pin to score. Whatever is knocked down is the score for that frame. If the head pin remains standing, the score will be zero. One out of every 10 will win a turkey for Thanksgiving.

Nov. 28- Rent-A-Lane Special - \$9 per lane per hour; active duty military receive an additional \$1 off

(Limited to groups of four or more).

December

Dec. 1 through 31: Save-A-Card Special - Buy a 20 game card for only \$30 (valid only Monday thru Friday).

Dec. 6 through 10: Red Pin Special Week - 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., Monday and Tuesday; and 5 p.m. until closing, Wednesday thru Friday. Throw a strike on a red head pin and receive a free game of bowling.

Dec. 13 through 17: Christmas Special - Win a ham for Christmas. \$2 per entry (multiple entries allowed). Throw 10 frames, one ball per frame and the head pin must be hit to score.

Dec. 31: New Year's Eve Special - 10 p.m. to 1 a.m. Sign-up by Dec. 27, \$10 per person. Bowl all night, plus finger food and party favors will be provided.

January

Jan. 8: Active Duty Rent-A-Lane - 1 to 6 p.m., \$8 per lane per hour, shoes included). Limited to groups of four or more).

Jan. 12 through 14: Red Pin Special - All day/night. Throw a strike on the red head pin to receive a free game of bowling.

Jan. 19 and 20: From 1 to 6 p.m., all bowling costs \$.75 per game.

Jan. 28: Cosmic Special - 9 p.m. until closing. All games cost \$1.50 and \$.75 shoe rental.

February

Feb. 7 through 11: Red Pin Special Week - 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. (Monday and Tuesday) and 5 p.m. until closing, Wednesday thru Friday. Throw a strike on the red head pin and draw a prize out of the "prize bowl." Receive discounts in all areas of the bowling center.

Feb. 13: Valentine Scotch Doubles Tournament - 3 p.m. start time, \$8 per person.

LIBRARY BOOK CORNER

Operating hours of the Aberdeen Area Library, building 3320, are 1 to 5 p.m., Saturday and Sunday and 11:30 a.m. to 6:30 p.m., Monday, Wednesday and Thursday. The Edgewood Area Library is open 11:30 a.m. to 6:30 p.m., Tuesday. For more information, call 410-278-3417.

The following is a list of some new books available at the APG MWR Libraries:

The Warlord's Son by Dan Fesperman

As Afghanistan is being bombed by American warplanes, Skelly is hoping to close out his reporting career with a big story. He hires an Afghan, Najeeb, to translate and run interference for him across the border. Najeeb, though, has his own issues: one of which is that he betrayed his warlord father seven years ago and now they are headed to his home village.

People of the Raven by Kathleen O'Neal Gear

The Falls by Joyce Carol Oates

Renegade by Diana Palmer

Human Capital by Stephen Amidon

The library's Web site, www.apgmwr.com/recreation/libraries.html, provides access to the library's online catalog and also has a complete annotated listing of the library's new material, as well as a list of available films on DVD.

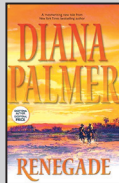


Photo courtesy of www.armymwr.com. Sgt. Abimael Leon, a Texas National Guardsman from Chandler, Ariz., holds Spc. Emily Plasterer, a member of the Indiana National Guard from Churubusco, Ind., during the 2004 U.S. Army Soldier Show.

Nominations Due for 2005 Soldier Show

Nominations for vocalists, dancers, musicians and specialty acts as well as technicians for lighting, audio, video, costume and stage are being accepted for the 2005 Army Soldier Show. Soldiers selected for the 2005 Army Soldier Show will have change of duty or change of rater evaluation reports completed prior to departure from the parent unit.

All nominations must include the following: name, rank, social security number,

duty phone, email address, and area(s) of specialty for performer or technician.

Nominations should be sent to the following address by Nov. 30: US Army Soldier Show, Attn: 2005 Selection Committee, P O Box 439, Fort Belvoir, VA 22060.

Artistic inquiries may be sent to Victor.Hurtado@cfsc.army.mil, and military questions may be addressed to 1st Sgt. Stanley Randolph at DSN 656-4937 or 703-806-4937.



Photo courtesy of www.armymwr.com. Pfc. Daren Taylor of Fort Belvoir, Va., Spc. Corey McAleesejergins of Fort Bragg, N.C., Spc. David Clemo of Fort Bragg, N.C., Sgt. Abimael Leon of the Texas National Guard perform 'Yesterday' during the 2004 U.S. Army Soldier Show.

APG celebrates fire prevention and safety



Wearing their shiny new fire hats, Jennifer Noe, 10, and Sanden O'Connell, 3, watch a vehicle extrication demonstration during the APG Fire Department Open House Oct. 9.



APG firefighter Michael Jernegan helps Corey Adams, 5, enter the Smoke Maze, a mist-filled tent that illustrates the difficulty of finding the way out of a smoke-filled room.



Katelynn Daniels, 6, the daughter of Staff Sgt. Shawn and Melissa Daniels, U.S. Army Technical Escort Unit, puts out a "fire" with a real fire hose and a little help from fire inspector Thomas Stanford.



A UH-1H Huey helicopter from the U.S. Army Aberdeen Test Center, piloted by John Mullin, releases a Bambi bucket full of foaming water during a crowd-pleasing firefighting demonstration.



Assistant fire chief Don Collier consults with fire inspector Doug Farrington during the vehicle extrication demonstration.



Visitors viewing the Maryland State Police Medevac helicopter, Trooper 6, listen closely as Sgt. Elizabeth Beck, describes the emergency equipment maintained on the states' fleet of helicopters.



Assistant fire chief Jim Budnick, left, and firefighter Greg Miller remove a windshield from a vehicle after cutting it out to demonstrate emergency rescue operations.